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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

in re the Application of

Shin-ichi NAKAO et al. Group Art Unit: 1773

Application No.: 10/632,861 Examiner: H. Le

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For: FUNCTIONAL PARTICLE AND PREPARING/PLASMA-TREATING METHOD OF

THE SAME

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the January 25, 2005 Office Action, please consider the following:

Amendments to the Claims as reflected in the listing of claims;

Remarks.